

HB 1191 -- STATE PARKS (Ruzicka)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Committee on Tourism and Natural Resources

This bill changes the laws regarding the State Park Earnings Fund and establishes the Renewable Energy Pilot Program for State Parks.

STATE PARK EARNINGS FUND

The State Treasurer is authorized to deposit all of the moneys in the State Park Earnings Fund in any of the qualified depositories of the state and requires all these deposits to be secured in a manner provided by law relative to state deposits. Any interest earned on these deposits must be credited to the fund.

RENEWABLE ENERGY PILOT PROGRAM FOR STATE PARKS

The Renewable Energy Pilot Program for State Parks is established which requires the Department of Natural Resources, in consultation with the Missouri Public Service Commission, to develop and implement a pilot program with the goal of achieving 100% energy use from renewable energy resources in a department-selected state park by August 28, 2018. The department must attempt to use as many energy-efficient products as possible within the park.

Beginning August 28, 2012, the department must annually submit a report to the General Assembly documenting progress toward the goal and proposing alternative suggestions for future implementation until the pilot project is complete.

FISCAL NOTE: Estimated Net Cost on General Revenue Fund of \$66,000 in FY 2013, \$52,000 in FY 2014, and \$37,000 in FY 2015. Estimated Net Income on Other State Funds of \$66,000 in FY 2013, \$52,000 in FY 2014, and \$37,000 in FY 2015.